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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 6626th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Somalia

   Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia (S/2011/549)

   Letter dated 21 September 2011 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2011/591)

Committee on the Admission of New Members

Morning[1] . . . . . 109th meeting (closed) . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6626th meeting of the Security Council.

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

3 p.m. . . . . 32nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

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General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Informal consultations on the agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Main Committees

First Committee

3 p.m.[1] . . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Organization of work (A/65/418, A/C.1/66/1 and A/C.1/66/CRP.1)

[1] A technical briefing by the secretariat will be held immediately following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Executive meeting

Committee on the Exercise of Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 335th meeting . . . . . *Conference Room 2 (NLB)*

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold the election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council, under sub-item (a) of item 113 of the agenda, on Friday, 21 October 2011, at 10 a.m. Other changes in the schedule of plenary meetings are reflected in the note by the President of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3).

Other meetings

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Friday, 30 September 2011

Group of 77 (on social development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLL)

Group of 77 (organizational meeting for the Second Committee)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Group of 77 (on oceans and the law of the sea)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLB)

Latin American and Caribbean Group (Third Committee experts)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (briefing by the Coordinator of the Search Committee for the Position of ICC Prosecutor)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Legal Matters

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Other activities

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Friday, 30 September 2011

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Non-Violence (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

At 4.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[The Secretary-General will make opening remarks. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Vinod K. Jacob, Permanent Mission of India (e-mail vinodkjacobpminy@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 490-9679).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. R. Evadne Coye, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica; H.E. Mr. Tete Antonio, Permanent Observer of the African Union; H.E. Mr. Joseph Goddard, Permanent Representative of Barbados; H.E. Mr. Raymond O. Wolfe, Permanent Representative of Jamaica, Chair of the Permanent Memorial Committee; Mr. Philippe Kridelka, Director, UNESCO's New York Office, and Representative to the United Nations (to launch an international design competition for the Permanent Memorial to honour the victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade) [co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Permanent Mission of Jamaica]

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 3, to Tuesday, 11 October 2011. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1531; room IN-0603J).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; room IN-606A; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; room IN-608B).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickPlace Web site <https://unishare.un.org/LotusQuickr/quickfirst/Main.nsf>. For inquiries regarding QuickPlace of the Committee, kindly contact Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky (e-mail cherniavsky@un.org).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 3 October 2011, at 3 p.m. in *Conference Room 1 (NLB)*. The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/65/431.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee are kindly requested to contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room IN-615A). Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *10 minutes* for national statements, and *15 minutes* for statements on behalf of groups should be observed.

Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C or NL-1033D; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and Permanent Observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org). Member State representatives wishing to be included in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) mailing list are requested to send an e-mail, indicating name, delegation and e-mail address, to Ms. Emena Efeotor (e-mail efeotor@un.org).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its substantive work with the opening of its general debate at 10 a.m. on Monday, 3 October 2011, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). The proposed organization of work and the timetable of the Committee for the session is contained in document A/C.2/66/L.1.

The lists of speakers for the general debate and the debates on individual agenda items of the Committee are open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the lists are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)). Deadline for inscription to the list of speakers for the general debate is 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 4 October 2011. Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *7 minutes* for individual Member States, and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, and the time limits of *5 minutes* for individual Member States and *7 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during debates on individual agenda items should be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Delegations wishing to have the texts of their statements circulated should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; room IN-0620B; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Background information and documentation relating to the work of the Committee are available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/second/index.shtml>.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for the Second Committee QuickPlace, kindly contact Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Third Committee

The Third Committee will begin its work on Monday, 3 October 2011, at 10 a.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Lorna Fidler (e-mail fidler@un.org) and Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org) (fax 1 (212) 963-5935), indicating the full name and title of the speaker.

Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *7 minutes* for individual Member States, and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, should be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Delegations wishing to have the texts of their statements circulated should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; room NL-1033 or IN-603G)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the sixty-sixth session, is available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/third/index.shtml>.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for QuickPlace, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 3 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; room L-0320; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the Fifth Committee secretariat (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, is available at <www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/>.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Monday, 3 October 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB): Umoja/Enterprise resource planning and information and communications technology (by Ms. Asha-Rose Migiro, Deputy Secretary-General, and Mr. Choi Soon-hong, Assistant Secretary-General, Chief Information Technology Officer); and Capital master plan (by Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director, Capital Master Plan).

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 3 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional programme of work for the sixty-sixth session, as well as other relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation, is available on the Web site of the Sixth Committee and is regularly updated <www.un.org/ga/sixth/66/66_session.shtml>. The allocation of agenda items to the Sixth Committee is contained in document A/C.6/66/1 and the note by the Secretariat on the organization of work has been issued in document A/C.6/66/L.1.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that, in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 109 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), items 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173 and 174 (on requests for observer status in the General Assembly), item 83 (The rule of law at the national and international levels), item 82 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization) and item 78 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

In order to obtain the password to access the e-room of the Sixth Committee, delegations are kindly requested to contact Ms. Celine Novenario (e-mail novenario@un.org).

For the purposes of the establishment of the e-mail contact list of the representatives in the Committee, you may send an e-mail with the subject "Sixth Committee contact list" to the following e-mail address: 6thcommittee@un.org. Please be advised that the contact list will be made available to all representatives on that list.

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 253rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Friday, 7 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room M-13052; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, par. 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session for 2011

The Economic and Social Council will hold its resumed substantive session on Thursday, 6 October 2011, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect a member of the Bureau, to hold elections to fill vacancies in the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2011/9/Add.11) and to fill outstanding vacancies in the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, the Commission on Sustainable Development, the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, and the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). The list of candidates for the elections is available on Candiweb, at the following address: <www.un.int/wcm/content/site/portal/home/pid/11312>. The Council will also consider outstanding issues deferred from its 2011 substantive session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal" (under agenda item 11 (a)) (convened by the delegation of the United Kingdom)

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Third Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation against the world drug problem" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs, of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms" (under agenda item 69 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Portugal, the Republic of Moldova and Senegal)

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Joint meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolutions entitled "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women" (under agenda item 28 (a)) and "International Covenants on Human Rights" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Tuesday, 4 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Wednesday, 5 October 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Wednesday, 5 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Tuesday, 4 October 2011, from 8.45 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Mason Group (on First Committee matters)

Tuesday, 4 October 2011, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific to Member States of the Commission on the theme "Shared prosperity, equity and sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific" (chaired by the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka)

Wednesday, 5 October 2011, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Informal exchanges of views with regional groups (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the African Group;

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NBL): with the Asia-Pacific Group;

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Eastern European Group;

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Latin American and Caribbean Group; and

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Western European and Other States Group.

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level structured discussion on "Cities and climate change" (on the occasion of World Habitat Day) (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact UN-Habitat New York Office (e-mail HabitatNY@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200); or visit <www.unhabitat.org>.]

Briefing by the African regional economic communities (East Africa Community (EAC), Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS), Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and Southern African Development Community (SADC)) (co-organized by the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Monday, 3 October 2011, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[Member States and members of the United Nations system are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Kimani, OSAA (e-mail kimanim@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2838); or Ms. Mieko Ikegame, OSAA (e-mail ikegame@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1937).]

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Tuesday, 4 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB); and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org/info@unitarny.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or Mr. Hugues Heron (e-mail hugues.heron@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Dialogue between the President of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly and civil society (organized by the Office of President of the General Assembly, in collaboration with the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS), the NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the NGO Relations, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Tuesday, 4 October 2011, from 3 to 5 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or associated with DPI are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the President of the General Assembly (tel. 1 (212) 963-3573 or 963-1231).]

High-level panel discussion on "NEPAD and the MDGs: Progress, challenges and the way forward" (on the occasion of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the New Partnership for Africa's Development) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA))

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, OSAA (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576).]

Briefing on the 2012 Seoul Nuclear Security Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the United States Mission)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Kap-soo Rim, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail kevin.ksrim@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 439-4090).]

UNITAR workshop on effective negotiation in multilateral conferences

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Special presentation on "Challenges and opportunities for the sustainability of outer space" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Space Security Index)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 in Conference Room 7 (NLB)

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roxane Milot, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail roxane.milot@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1124).]

UNITAR workshops series on the reform of the United Nations

United Nations Reform I: Institutional adaptation of United Nations governing bodies (Security Council, General Assembly, Human Rights Council)

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

United Nations Reform II: Management reform

Friday, 21 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/253 of 27 July 2011, the seventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 24, to Friday, 28 October 2011, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax/seventhsession/>.

For further information, please contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded, that in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation shall be submitted to the Secretary-General. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Copies of credentials may be faxed (1 (212) 963-6430) and originals hand-delivered to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (Room 13051, 380 Madison Avenue). Should delegations have any questions, the Secretary's Office may be contacted (tel. 1 (917) 367-8296).

Photo coverage during the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Photos of Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers delivering statements in the plenary of the General Assembly are routinely taken and are available for download in high resolution from the Photo Unit Web site <www.unmultimedia.org/photo/>, and from the United Nations Photo Library, DPI (room IN-506A (300 East 42nd Street); tel. 1 (212) 963-6927 or 963-0034; fax 1 (212) 963-1658). Photos are free of charge but may not be used in advertising. Special requests for photo coverage may be addressed to Mr. Mark Garten, Chief Photo Unit (e-mail garten@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9652).

United Nations Regional Course in International Law (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2012))

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 February to 2 March 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 14 October 2011*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in French. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Web site of the Regional Course <www.un.org/law/rcil/>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second of language-specific informational meetings for 2011 will be held in November, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, 2 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *French*

Friday, 4 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Friday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings>.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 29 September 2011

Security Council

6625th meeting

The situation in Afghanistan

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2011/590)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Afghanistan, Australia, Canada, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan and Turkey, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Staffan de Mistura, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to H.E. Mr. Pedro Serrano, Acting Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. de Mistura.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Zalmai Rassoul, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Gabon, the United States, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, Nigeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, Brazil, France, South Africa, Portugal, China and India, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Lebanon.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Canada, Turkey, Australia, Japan, Kyrgyzstan and Pakistan.

The Council heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Pedro Serrano (speaking on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Iceland; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the EFTA country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with this statement).

Mr. de Mistura responded to comments.

H.E. Mr. Zalmai Rassoul, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan, made a further statement.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

1st meeting

The Chair, H.E. Mrs. Simona Mirela Miculescu (Romania), made a statement.

Organization of work

The Committee had before it a letter from the President of the General Assembly concerning the agenda items allocated to it (A/C.4/66/1) and a note by the Chair (A/C.4/66/L.1) containing suggestions on the organization of work.

The Committee approved its programme of work, as contained in document A/C.4/66/L.1.

The Chair also drew members' attention to document A/C.4/66/INF/1, which contained the list of documents before the Committee.

The Committee also decided to establish a Working Group of the Whole, chaired by the delegation of Romania, to consider draft resolution A/C.4/66/L.2 on agenda item 51 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space).

At the suggestion of the Chair (A/C.4/66/L.1), the Committee decided to hold a general debate on decolonization, under agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60, and to close the list of speakers on those items on Monday, 3 October 2011, at 6 p.m.

The Committee also decided that Tuesday, 4 October, at 6 p.m. would be the deadline for submission of all draft proposals on decolonization items.

Request for hearings

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to Aide-mémoire 01/11, containing 75 requests for hearing relating to the questions of Gibraltar, Guam, the Turks and Caicos Islands, the United States Virgin Islands and Western Sahara. The Committee decided to circulate the requests for hearing as Committee documents. The Chair also informed the Committee of the communications received from the Chief Minister of Gibraltar and from the Vice-President of the Government of New Caledonia, who wished to make statements under agenda item 60.

Fifth Committee

1st meeting

Organization of work

The Chair, H.E. Mr. Michel Tommo Monthe (Cameroon), declared open the first meeting of the Fifth Committee of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

The Chair reminded the Committee of the election of Mr. Paul Ballantyne (New Zealand), Ms. Jelena Plakalović (Serbia) and Ms. Mariam Al-Shamisi (United Arab Emirates), as Vice-Chairs, and Mr. Noel González Segura (Mexico), as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Expression of appreciation to the Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Mr. Jun Yamazaki

The Chair of the Fifth Committee paid tribute to the outgoing Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, and wished him success on his new endeavours.

Organization of work

The Chair drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 16 September 2011 from the President of the General Assembly (A/C.5/66/1) on the allocation of items of the agenda by the General Assembly to the Fifth Committee.

The Chair further drew the attention of the Committee to a note by the secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (A/C.5/66/L.1), to the proposed programme of work submitted by the Bureau for the main part of the session and to a number of briefings that would be provided by the secretariat.

On the proposal of the Chair, the Committee took note of the recommendations of the General Assembly, as contained in document A/66/250, as well as of the observations of the Chair that delegations ensured that their colleagues in the Main Committees completed consideration of all draft resolutions having programme budget implications as early as possible, and not later than 1 December 2011, in order to enable the Fifth Committee to consider them in a timely manner.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Chile (on behalf of the Rio Group), Côte d'Ivoire (on behalf of the African Group), the United States and Japan.

The Committee then approved the programme of work on the understanding that it would be reviewed and adjusted by the Bureau, as necessary, during the course of the session.

On the proposal of the Chair, the Committee decided to set Friday, 14 October 2011, as the deadline for the submission of candidatures to the secretariat of the Fifth Committee, in connection with agenda item 115 (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments), and Friday, 4 November 2011, as the date for the elections.

The Chair of the Committee made a concluding statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Agreement to establish the South Centre. Geneva, 1 September 1994

Accession: Ecuador (15 September 2011)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
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H.E. Mr. Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman

Asia-Pacific States:
Indonesia
H.E. Mr. Hasan Kleib

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Ms. Simona Mirela Miculescu

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Colombia
H.E. Mr. Néstor Osorio

Western European and other States:
Monaco
H.E. Ms. Isabelle Picco

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
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